MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS HOUSING AUTHORITY MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS.

**MADAM CHAIR:** 

Tonita Gurule-Giron

**COMMISSIONERS:** 

David Romero

Vince Howell

**Absent** 

Barbara Casey

David Ulibarri Jr.

**Ember Davis** 

**Absent** 

ALSO PRESENT:

Carmela Martinez, Housing Director

H. Chico Gallegos, City Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER** 

**ROLL CALL** 

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

Madam Chair Gurule-Giron asked Commissioner Barbara Casey to offer the moment of silence. Commissioner Casey stated let us take a moment to reflect on all the people in our community who serve either in elected or appointed office and think positive thoughts for these people and ask for guidance so that everything they do is for the benefit and betterment of our community and the good of our people.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Barbara Casey made a motion to approve the agenda as is. Commissioner David Romero seconded the motion.

Madam Chair Gurule-Giron asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

Commissioner David Romero
Commissioner Barbara Casey
Commissioner David Ulibarri Jr.
Commissioner Ember Davis
Commissioner Vince Howell

Yes
Yes
Absent
Absent

Barbara Padilla re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Barbara Casey made a motion to approve the minutes of August 10, 2016 and August 17, 2016. Commissioner David Romero seconded the motion.

Madam Chair Gurule-Giron asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

Commissioner David Ulibarri Jr. Yes
Commissioner Barbara Casey Yes
Commissioner David Romero Yes
Commissioner Ember Davis Absent
Commissioner Vince Howell Absent

Barbara Padilla re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC INPUT**

None at this time.

# **PRESENTATION - FINANCE**

Finance Specialist, Natasha Martinez-Padilla presented the Housing Revenue and expenditure report thru August 30, 2016. Ms. Martinez-Padilla stated the HA is at 16% of the budget year. The HA is at 16% of revenue, that is because the one time transfer usually goes through in December, so you will see a huge bump up on Revenues in December. The HA is at 11% of current expenditures expected.

## HOUSING DIRECTORS MONTHLY REPORT

Housing Director Carmela Martinez reported that the Financial Specialist and herself, attended a HUD sponsored training on Fair Housing and Reasonable Accommodations Certification training. She stated they will have the results of that in about 2 weeks. It was a 2 day intense training and at the end they had to take an exam. Director Martinez stated she will let the commission know when they receive the results.

Director Martinez stated staff including Barbara Padilla, Housing Manager Supervisor, Natasha Martinez-Padilla, Finance Specialist, and herself just returned from the MFA (Mortgage Finance Authority) Housing Summit in Albuquerque. The staff attended some very interesting sessions.

Director Martinez informed the Commission that the fence on New Mexico Avenue was damaged. It was reported by the Police Department as a hit and run. The maintenance crew has picked up the damaged pieces of the fencing.

### **COMMISSIONERS REPORT**

Commissioner David Romero told Director Martinez that the weeds in front of the Housing Projects need to be taken care of. He also stated the fence on New Mexico was hit over the weekend and it is just thrown there. Director Martinez informed Commissioner Romero that the maintenance staff had already picked up the broken parts of the fence. He stated that the fence was also hit two years ago and he wanted to know why it had not been repaired. Director Martinez asked Natasha Martinez-Padilla to explain. Ms. Martinez-Padilla stated that the HA is trying to be as fiscally responsible as possible to get that fence replaced. Because of the cost to repair that fence, there is a possibility that a different type of fencing may have to be installed. The HA will begin discussing how to take care of this fence issue.

# **EXCUTIVE SESSION/CLOSED SESSION**

Director Martinez stated there is no need for Executive Session at this time.

# **ADJOURN**

Commissioner Barbara Casey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner David Ulibarri Jr. and Commissioner David Romero both seconded the motion.

Madam Chair Gurule-Giron asked for a roll call. Roll call was taken and reflected the following.

Commissioner David Romero	Yes
Commissioner Barbara Casey	Yes
Commissioner David Ulibarri Jr.	Yes
Commissioner Vince Howell	Absent
Commissioner Ember Davis	Absent

Barbara Padilla re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

Madam Chair Tonita Gurule-Giron

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